

A FLATTERING VOTE

William Johns Elected President of Institute.

WILL ADJOURN TODAY.

The Officers were Elected Friday Afternoon, Mr. Johns Receiving 210 Out of 212 Votes Cast — Judge Aungst Appoints M. E. McFarren School Examiner.

CANTON, Aug. 31.—Officers for the ensuing year were elected at Thursday afternoon's session of the Stark county teachers' institute association as follows: William Johns, of Massillon, president; J. A. Syler, of New Berlin, first vice president; A. J. Dehoff, of Canton, second vice president; Professor Sweitzer, of Canton, secretary; W. W. Delap, of Waco, member of the executive committee. Mr. Johns was elected president by a most flattering vote, receiving 210 out of 212 votes cast. Other portions of the programme were carried out as already announced. The trolley ride, which took place immediately after the adjournment of Thursday afternoon's meeting, was one of the most pleasant features of the institute. The party returned from Massillon in time for the evening lecture by J. E. McGilvray on the "Cultural Value of Literature." James M. Milne opened Friday morning's session with his series of talks on alcohol. The address of Lewis D. Bonebrake, the state school commissioner, was delivered at Friday morning's session. Mr. Bonebrake took as his subject the "Right Attitude for the Teacher in His Work." The subject was divided into two divisions, (1) "Teacher's Attitude Toward Himself," and (2) "Correct Attitude Toward the Pupil." Mr. Bonebrake's address made an excellent impression on all of his hearers.

The next institute will be held in Canton in the summer of 1901. A strong effort was made to induce the teachers to decide upon Massillon as the next meeting place. The following were appointed a committee on resolutions, on Friday morning: Mr. Koehler, of Louisville; Mr. Long, of New Berlin, and Miss Armstrong, of Alliance. Adjournment will follow this afternoon's session. The following are the Massillonians who, up to Friday noon, had registered themselves in attendance at at least one of the sessions of the institute: Messrs. E. A. Jones, William Johns, M. W. Oberlin, L. L. Nave, A. B. Oberlin, John Ellis, C. M. Smith, James Collier, and the Misses Anna Smith, May Bowman, Alice Young, Cora Penberthy, Minnie Crone, Estella McMillan, Mary Dietter, Mary Davis, Helen Smith, Lulu Simpson, Dessa Graybill, Mary Ellis, Charlotte Smith, Grace Walcutt, Nellie Evans, Emma Kratsch, Jeannette Miller, Margaret Morgan, Jennie Kitt, Lovina Marr, Zorah Miller, Mary Nill, Mabel Hoch, Mary Frederick, Lillian Ulman, Mrs. Nellie Dahlheimer and Mrs. Fr. in.

Probate Judge Aungst, on Friday morning, appointed M. E. McFarren, of Osnaburg, as a member of the county board of school examiners for the term of three years, beginning September 1, 1900. Mr. McFarren will succeed J. A. Syler, of New Berlin. Mr. McFarren is at present county secretary of the teachers' reading circle, has been principal of the Osnaburg public schools for a number of years, and is in other ways prominently identified with educational affairs of the county.

The first annual picnic of the children and attaches of the Fairmount Children's Home, which was held at Meyer's lake on Wednesday, passed off without a single incident to mar its pleasures. The children returned to Alliance at about 5 o'clock in the evening, and the thoughts that were uppermost in their minds can readily be imagined. That the children had plenty to eat at the lake is evinced by the fact that from the provisions donated by citizens of Canton, Massillon, Alliance and other parts of the county, one wagon load remained untouched as it had been donated. This was taken to Canton, and was distributed among the poor of the city in the evening. A portion of the funds raised by subscription to defray the expense of the affair has been deposited in a bank as the nucleus of the fund for next year's picnic.

The final accounts have been filed in the estates of Rebecca Converse, of Bethlehem township, and Patrick Moylan, of Lawrence township.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Cordelia Bayliss heirs to Per Lee Hunt, parts lots 598 and 11, first ward, Massillon, \$7,800.

O. C. Volkmar to H. S. Markle, 2-100 acres, first ward, Massillon.

Frank Crone to Mary Crone, part lot 219, fourth ward, Massillon, \$1.

Lawrence Croft to Alice M. Walker, four acres, Jackson township, \$950.

Sophia Paul to W. H. Piper, 21-100 acres, third ward, Massillon, \$400.

Mary Morrison to Martha Grossweiler, part lot 1368, third ward, Massillon, \$440.

P. G. Albright's administrator to W. E. N. Hemphrey, lot 92, Columbian Heights, \$67.

Charles L. Lyons to Mary Frohman, 12-100 acres, Tuscarawas township, \$115.

Nick Zintmester to Nick W. Zint-

master et al., 107 15-100 acres and 61 acres, Bethlehem township.

Adam Harwick to Geo. Krebs, lots 334 and 335, Canal Fulton, \$200.

John Thiel, by heir, to John Koenig, 8 acres, Jackson township, \$150.

A SHOWER OF IRON.

Molten Metal Falls Upon William Dutton.

HE IS HORRIBLY BURNED.

While Casting One of the Largest Fly-Wheels Made, Gas Forces the Heated Metal Upward—All the Workmen, With the Exception of Mr. Dutton, Succeeded in Reaching a Place of Safety.

William Dutton was caught in a shower of molten iron in the foundry of Russell & Company's works at about 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon, and was horribly burned. Mr. Dutton succeeded in protecting his face somewhat, but much of the heated metal fell upon his back and sides, and, moving downward, burned deep furrows in the flesh. Some of the iron also struck him on the arms, inflicting deep injuries. Dr. T. J. Reed, who is attending him, is hopeful of a complete recovery. His injuries are excruciatingly painful, and opiates were administered freely during the night to afford him relief. Immediately after the accident Mr. Dutton was removed to the Shertzer boarding house, in Canal street, where, with his wife and one son, he makes his home. Mrs. Dutton is now visiting in Salem.

The work at which Mr. Dutton was engaged at the time of the accident was the casting of one of the largest fly-wheels made for automatic engines. The wheel was to be about 14 feet in diameter and was to have a 54-inch face. With other molders, he was casting the wheel in a pit, it being too large to be made in a flask. After all of the molten iron had been poured into the mold the center of the wheel began to rise, presumably through the action of gas which had accompanied the heated metal. It rose to a considerable height and then dropped, forcing upward great quantities of hot iron and sand. The workmen in the vicinity, when they became aware that an explosion was inevitable, among them Mr. Dutton, started to run. The latter, however, was in the rear of the wheel and could not get to a place of safety. The others escaped with a few slight burns.

Mr. Dutton is 52 years old, and has lived in the city for three years, having come here from Salem. He is prominently connected with the molders' union and the Trades and Labor Assembly.

UNUSUALLY GOOD SUMMER.

Number of Men at Russell & Co.'s at Present Numbers About 500.

The summer season of 1900, it is stated at Russell & Company's office, is an unusually good one. Whereas, in other years, from one hundred and fifty to two hundred men was considered a fairly full force for the summer months, it is said that the number of men employed steadily in the various departments at present, numbers about five hundred. The failure of the crops in many sections of the country had a depressing effect on the demand for threshers, but the unprecedented popularity of the company's saw mills more than offset the loss. The various changes on the grounds and buildings, necessitated by the moving of several of the departments, in accordance with the plans for the location of the new engine company's departments, of course, affords employment to quite a number of men. The final moving of the departments will not take place until the completion of the engine company's main buildings, which, it is thought, will not be before fall.

MUST CARRY BALLAST.

Mr. McIntosh to Have Stansbury's Weight in the Coming Race.

The \$100 race between Idaho and Gray Rex, or Budd H., as the horse is said to have been formerly called, promises to be the big event of the racing days of the Stark county fair. A. C. Stansbury, who is to drive Idaho for its owner, David Levers, of West Brookfield, says that the contract provides that Samuel McIntosh, owner and driver of Gray Rex, must carry a sufficient quantity of ballast to make equal the weight behind the pacers. Mr. Stansbury weighs 235 pounds. Mr. McIntosh will not reach 190. Mr. Stansbury formerly owned Idaho, and he is said to be able to get more speed out of the horse than any other driver. Idaho has no mark. Gray Rex is said to be eligible to the 2:22 class.

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BUT 369 IN FAVOR.

While 818 Voted Against the Bond Issue.

AN EXTREMELY LIGHT VOTE

Scarcely One-third of the Usual Number Polled—Fire Committee-member Kouth Discouraged—Will Support No Measure to Improve Central Unless Provision is Made for the West Side.

The count of the ballots at the election held by citizens to decide whether or not to give the council authority to issue bonds in the sum of \$16,000 for the purpose of improving the fire department, was commenced at 5:30 o'clock Thursday evening. At 6:30 o'clock THE INDEPENDENT had posted bulletins in various parts of the city announcing the vote, which, by wards, was as follows.

	For.	Against.
First.....	115	230
Second.....	88	205
Third.....	88	226
Fourth.....	88	157
Totals.....	369	818

Nearly everyone familiar with the situation expected the proposition to be defeated, as a two-thirds majority was required to win, but the overwhelming majority of the opposition was a surprise to all. Little more than a third of the city's usual vote was polled. The councilmen are dumbfounded. C. A. Kouth, of the fire committee, while he looked for defeat, was confident that a majority of the voters would favor the bond issue, in which event it was his plan to immediately proceed with the improvements by gradual stages, making bond issues for a trifle less than \$5,000, as allowed by the law. "If we had had any kind of a majority," said he, Thursday evening, "there would have been a resolution before the council Monday evening providing for the first of the smaller issues. I believe the majority should rule, if it is a majority of but one. Some people say that citizens who do not pay taxes ought not to be permitted to vote. They don't stop to think that it is the renter, after all, who will have to bear the brunt. If taxes are raised, so will rents be. I am disappointed and discouraged. I don't know what will be done. The people don't want improvements."

"I want to say that I will support no measure to improve the central equipment unless provision is made for the West Side. There we are with three railways separating us from the central department. At night, I do not doubt, as this is where two of the companies' yards are, much switching is done, and crossings are held for a long time. If a West Side house catches fire, and if we do not get the alarm to central in time, which is a question, for the fire alarm system covers but a little more than half of the West Side, the firemen may be held by trains at the crossings so long that when they arrive the house will be in ashes or at least the fire beyond control. With a paid department on the West Side we would also be in a position to fight two fires in different parts of the city at the same time. It's my opinion we would have won on the bond issue question if every citizen had voted."

MR. SMITH IS AT SEA.

Evidently the people don't want any improvements," remarked Councilman Peter Smith, who was one of the strongest advocates of the bond issue. "I am all at sea now; I don't know what would be best to do. Surely there ought to be some improvement in the fire department, but after this vote I don't feel like spending a cent. In fact I'd be afraid to. The voters are satisfied with what they have. I attribute the defeat of the proposition to the fact that the land appraisers have increased the valuation of property, and with it taxes will go up. Then there's the waterworks purchase in sight. That's another increase in taxes. Citizens thought it would be too heavy. They wanted to get even and they began with the fire department bonds. Eight months ago, with several big fires still fresh in their memories, people would have voted for the improvement of the fire department. It's different now. I don't think we could have carried the election if every man in town had voted."

COST OF THE ELECTION.

The election cost the city about \$125. Mr. Kouth says the money will be taken from the general fund.

THE TRIENNIAL REUNION.

Massillonians Attend the Winesburg Saengerfest.

WINESBURG, Aug. 31.—The triennial Saengerfest and reunion of ex-citizens and citizens of this place was held on Wednesday and Thursday, about 2,000 visitors attending. In the absence of hotel accommodations, tents were erected for the guests. It was decided not to have another reunion until 1905. Several bands were present throughout the reunion, furnishing music day and night. There were also numerous dancing halls and platforms. The baseball game between the Wilnot and Killbuck teams resulted in a victory for the former, the score being 10 to 10. The expenses of the meeting were defrayed with the receipts of an ice cream festival. Speeches

were delivered yesterday by Congressman McDowell, of Millersburg; W. S. Putman, of Wilnot, and Colonel Joss, of New Philadelphia. Among those attending the reunion were: Mrs. Frank Albright, Miss Albright and Miss Laura Breckel, of Massillon, who returned home last evening.

TRIED TO KILL HIM.

Foodey's Charge Against Strangeman.

LATER SAID HE WAS WRONG

Asked Acting Mayor Sibila if He Could Withdraw the Affidavit—Foodey Was Arrested Twice for Disorderly Conduct—Strangeman Paid Fine for Fighting.

Frank Strangeman, of New London, one of the foremen in charge of the workmen reconstructing the Farmers Telephone Company's plant, and Frank Foodey, of Cleveland, until a few days ago a lineman under Strangeman, had trouble at the corner of Charles and West streets, between 3 and 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. It is alleged Strangeman used a razor in the fight, inflicting a deep wound on the back of Foodey's head. Both men were arrested by Policeman Brownberger, who lives near the scene of the difficulty, and charged with fighting and disturbing the peace. Both pleaded guilty before Acting Mayor Sibila, and were fined \$1 and costs each.

While at the police headquarters Foodey made affidavit against Strangeman, charging cutting with intent to kill. Strangeman pleaded not guilty, and the court set the hearing for next Tuesday. C. F. Morse, superintendent of the reconstruction work, gave bond for \$100 for Strangeman's appearance. Foodey was taken to Dr. Garrigue's office by Policeman Brownberger, and his wound was dressed. Several stitches were required.

Wednesday evening Foodey went to the saloon of T. C. Miller, in West Tremont street. He conducted himself in a disorderly manner, flourishing a knife and threatening to kill everybody in sight. He was arrested by Policeman Wissmar, and was Thursday afternoon fined five dollars and costs. Foodey asked to be permitted to withdraw the charge of cutting with intent to kill that he had preferred against Strangeman, saying that he (Foodey) was drunk during the trouble and afterwards and was doubtless in the wrong. The court will investigate before allowing this to be done.

Strangeman claims the cutting was not done intentionally. He says that Foodey, while intoxicated, came to where he was at work, and attempted to make trouble. Strangeman states he had shaved yesterday, and had his razor in his pocket. When Foodey moved toward him threateningly with a cross-rail in his hand, he drew his razor, hoping by its appearance to intimidate the man. He ran toward Foodey, who, stumbling, fell, Strangeman following. It was in the fall, he claims, that the razor accidentally and unavoidably struck Foodey's head, inflicting the injury.

RIOTERS ARRESTED.

Akron Police Believe They Have Some of the Leaders.

AKRON, Sept. 1.—[By Associated Press]—Twelve men were arrested yesterday, charged with being implicated in last week's riot, and the police are confident that some of them were leaders of the mob. The prisoners were arraigned in police court this morning, and all pleaded guilty except one, Low Neigh, who acknowledged that he had assaulted Prisonkeeper Washer on the night of the riot. They were bound over to court in the sum of \$10,000 each. A special guard was on duty all night at the jail, and one of the local companies of the national guard remained all night in the armory as a precaution. No trouble is anticipated, but the authorities are prepared for any emergency.

RUSSIA WILL WITHDRAW.

Has Notified Allied Powers to That Effect.

St. PETERSBURG, Sept. 1.—[By Associated Press]—Official announcement has been made that a circular has been sent to the powers setting forth Russia's attitude toward China. Russia attributes to Chinese rebels all the recent disturbances in Manchuria, and announces that as the Chinese government no longer exists at Peking, the Russian legation and troops will withdraw to Tientsin.

WILL WITHHOLD NEWS.

Newspaper Comments Liable to Obstruct Negotiations.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—[By Associated Press]—The state department will publish no more notes now in process of exchange between the powers until complete accord of action is obtained, or until the subject has been finally disposed of. Publications already made have provoked newspaper comment that might tend to obstruct negotiations.

AGONY IN ITS WAKE

Melon Brings Suffering to a Festal Party.

RAIDERS ARE SCARED AWAY

Guards Now Stand Over the Asylum Farm's Finest Products—A Patient Finds a New Klondike—Michael Lally's Wit—Lynn's Conscience Smote Him—Other Hospital Notes.

It may have been a natural consequence, but it is the firm belief of a half dozen or more state hospital employees that the many melons, wrongfully procured from the asylum farm and surreptitiously feasted upon in an adjacent grove, had, in anticipation of the party's visit, been given the touch which meant agony and distress to those who partook of their lusciousness. At all events, every member of the party, immediately after the feast, became violently ill, and a few still suffer.

Outsiders have made frequent raids upon the melon patch during the past few nights. Gardener Heines and Ice-Maker Corey stood on guard Thursday, and a few shots fired into the air sent more than one gang of raiders scurrying whence they came.

Michael Lally, a North Lawrence patient, with all his deficiencies, has shown himself a man of wit. He and John Duffy, a fellow-inmate, quarreled in a quiet way yesterday. "Better look out," said Duffy. "I'm on my ear now."

"Well, ye'd better git off'n it moughty quick," responded Lally, his brogue more pronounced than common, "for ye'll hurt it sure." Then they had a laugh and have been friends ever since.

Mayor Wise, in company with Dr. Eymann, made the rounds of the institution Friday. The patients have been humming "Always" ever since.

Engine James has resigned his position of general night watch, and has been succeeded by Howard Dyson. Mr. James goes to Hiram college to resume his medical studies.

A conduit for electric wires is now being constructed from the new assembly hall site to Superintendent Eymann's residence. The residence is now connected with the power house by means of overhead wires. The latter will be placed in the pipe-line upon the completion of the new structure, late in the fall.

Albert Anderson, who has built aerial railways to Alaska, has discovered oil on the farm and who can quote Shakespeare by the hour, startled the institution last week with the announcement that he had found gold in the asylum's woods, in proof whereof he lugged to his cottage a rock twice as large as his head and containing about as much of the precious metal. Now he talks nothing else, and is endeavoring to interest his fellow patients in the organization of a company to develop the field.

The report for the past month shows that there are now on the list of patients 749 names, 379 of which belong to men. Thirty-fives male and thirty females have been released on trial. One death occurred during the month. Six patients were pronounced cured.

William Lynn, who decided to run down to his former home in Jefferson county, the other day, to visit his family, voluntarily returned to the institution. "When I got part way down," said he, "I decided it was not quiteright to quit being a patient that way, and I turned right around and came back."

A storekeeper was to have been appointed at the last meeting of the trustees, which was not held for the reason that there was no quorum. The term of W. G. Capeller, expired Friday. He will doubtless be reappointed.

A Oehl, of this city, to whom was awarded the contract for repairing the boilers, began work yesterday.

Miss Grace Boone, stenographer to Superintendent Eymann, has returned from Salem, where she spent a vacation of ten days.

THE NUMBER OF BICYCLES.

An Actual Count Shows That Massillon Has 1,015

Attorney J. J. Hawk, of Canton, who was appointed county collector by the Stark county board of bicycle side path commissioners, some time ago, has appointed sub-collectors and enumerators in various parts of the county, and the work of the latter is being pushed rapidly. Clarence S. Spidle and G. A. Ficht, appointed by Mr. Hawk to attend to the work of enumerating the bicycles in Massillon, have completed their work and their figures show that the city boasts of 1,015 wheels. Mr. Ficht, who took the territory north of Main street, found 479 wheels, and Mr. Spidle found 536 south of the same thoroughfare. Mr. Ficht also covered West Brookfield, finding 21 wheels. A considerable number of the license tags were sold by the enumerators.

AMERICAN COAL.

Big Contracts May be Made with France and Russia.

LONDON, Sept. 1.—[By Associated Press]—W. P. Rend, an American coal operator now here, says he has had an interview with Russian officials, and is hopeful of supplying the Russian navy with coal. He also expresses the belief that large contracts will be made with the French government. The coal will be mined in West Virginia.

KILLED BY ROBBERS

Former Massillonian Murdered in Cleveland.

DIED IN CITY HOSPITAL

Was Found Unconscious by a Patrolman—Proved to be John R. Hosmer, at One Time Employed by the Show Printing Company—Physicians Discovered That His Skull was Fractured.

John R. Hosmer, who was employed as shipping clerk by the Massillon Show Printing Company previous to last July, died in the Cleveland city hospital on Thursday, from injuries sustained at the hands of footpads last Tuesday night. Hosmer went from this city to Cleveland to become the advertising agent for the Cleveland Financial Daily News, but nothing positive as to the nature of his employment at the time of his death is known. A Cleveland paper states that he was a liquor agent, but this is thought to be a mistake.

A Cleveland dispatch says that Hosmer was found unconscious and in what appeared to be an intoxicated condition by Patrolman Dempsey, in Sheriff street. Hosmer's coat pockets were torn out, and he had the appearance of a man who had been in a rough and tumble fight. The police, at first, paid little attention to his condition. They believed him to be suffering from too much alcohol. He could not speak very plainly, but he managed to tell his name. On Wednesday, Hosmer still being unconscious, he was removed to the hospital.

There the city physicians found that Hosmer was suffering from a fractured skull, evidently caused by a blow from some blunt instrument, probably a "billy." He died shortly after midnight. When Hosmer died the police were immediately notified and told of the cause of death. It was not until late Thursday morning, however, that they commenced to work on the case. Several detectives and policemen are scouring the downtown portions of the city, but it is probable that another Cleveland murderer will go uncaptured.

Patrolman Dempsey, who arrested Hosmer, believes he was the victim of footpads. Thursday afternoon he said: "I was standing at the corner of Michigan and Ontario streets Tuesday night, when two men came up and told me that there was a man on Sheriff street who seemed to be drunk. I walked up and found Hosmer. He seemed to be under the influence of liquor. I could not arouse him. I shook him, but he muttered, 'we're going, boys; we're going.' Then I called the wagon and had him taken to the station. His pockets had nearly all been turned inside out. He had, however, a little over two dollars in change in one pocket. His watch was gone. The watch fob was caught in his clothing. I simply did what I considered my duty and took him to the station. My responsibility ended there."

Hosmer was about 28 years old and was unmarried. He was a resident of this city for a year. He roomed at the Oden residence, in West Main street, and took his meals at Brennenman & Kiefer's restaurant. His parents live in Tecumseh, Mich. They have been notified of their son's tragic end and have been asked for instructions as to the disposition of the body. Hosmer was a bright, intelligent young man. He once owned considerable property.

MURDERING OFFICIALS.

Chinese Troops Prevent Officers Joining Imperial Court.

LONDON, Sept. 1.—[By Associated Press]—It is rumored at Shanghai that the imperial court, now at Pi Tuan Fu, are afraid to move from that place, owing to the story that the Chinese troops are murdering officials attempting to join the imperial court. It is said a German legation will be established at Shanghai, pending the arrival of Count Waldersee.

All indications tend to confirm the belief that Lord Salisbury favors the principles contained in the American-Russian proposals.

SECRETARY HAY IS WELL.

CONCORD, N. H., Sept. 1.—[By Associated Press]—Secretary of State Hay has telegraphed Senator Chandler that he has fully recovered from his recent illness, and is now in excellent health.

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Messrs. Altgeld and Lentz are said to be noticeably nervous since learning that fifteen Italian detectives have been sent to this country to watch the movements of anarchists.

The Democratic managers of the present campaign are making a special appeal for the colored vote of the Northern states. The Democrats have two policies for colored voters—one for the North and one for the South.

Steps are being taken to test the legality of the disfranchisement of the negro by Southern states. There is no question of the fact that the colored man is guaranteed the right of suffrage by the constitution of the United States, and a law passed by any state contrary to its provisions is null and void. There is but little doubt that the supreme court will decide that the privileges granted by the federal constitution must be in force in all the states.

Following close on the loan of \$25,000,000 to England, comes the news that Sweden has offered to place a government loan of \$10,000,000 in this country. The bonds were originally offered in London, but for some reason they could not be floated there, and the English bankers called upon the United States for assistance. The loan is made for the construction of railroads, for which American manufacturers will doubtless be called upon to furnish much of the necessary equipment.

The American Economist says that from the best figures obtainable it appears that the farmers of the United States paid over eight hundred million dollars in the shrinkage of value in their live stock alone as a part of the price of the election of Grover Cleveland and the adoption of his free trade policy. Most of this loss has been made good since the return of the Republican party to power and the passage of the Dingley law, and a continuance of this policy means increased wealth. If the farmers are overburdened with prosperity, one of the surest ways to unload is to vote for Bryan in November. Bryan, free trade and fifty-cent dollars is a combination for the production of hard times that is guaranteed to work successfully.

Of all the election laws ever passed by a state, that bearing the name of the late governor of Kentucky is probably the worst, and this fact is now recognized by many of the men who voted for its adoption. In his message calling for a special session to amend the election laws of the state, Governor Beckham says the Goebel law is a good one, but that "prejudice had been engendered against it to such an extent that it was thought best to make changes before another election was held." There is no hope of repealing the law, and its opponents are trying to have it amended, leaving out the most obnoxious features. A large majority of the Democrats are in favor of retaining the law as it stands, at least until after the November election.

F. H. Mason, United States consul general at Berlin, reports that the management of the state railways in Bavaria has recently made a thorough test of coal from mines in the state of Ohio, which has been pronounced as far superior to the best grades of German coal for steam purposes. The Ohio coal was much lighter than that from the Ruhr district, in Bavaria, and burned entirely to ashes, leaving no slag, as is the case with the German coal. The high price, \$6.19 per ton, as against \$4.28 per ton for native coal, will prevent the American coal from being used to any great extent at present. With the proposed reduction in the rates for transporting coal from German seaports to interior points, American coal will prove a dangerous rival to the local product, and the operators of Ohio should have but little trouble in securing a fair proportion of the orders from that country.

A correspondent asked Mr. Bryan whether he would, if elected, make payment in silver on all government bonds that on their face call for coin, to which the Democratic candidate replied: "Say that Mr. Bryan declines to be interviewed on that subject." The question was eminently pertinent, in the present state of political affairs, and the public has a right to know Mr. Bryan's sentiments on the subject. The secretary of the treasury has just made it perfectly plain that if Bryan should be elected he could order the payment of all such

bonds and for all current disbursements of the government in silver, and that this would lead to all the revenues of the government being paid in similar coin, thus placing the United States on a strictly silver basis. As Mr. Bryan, four years ago, declared that if elected he would get rid of the gold standard, and this year insisted upon the 16 to 1 plank being incorporated in the Democratic platform, there is much curiosity to know why he dodged the Herald's question.

NO CHANGE NEEDED.

In his speech at Omaha, the other day, Mr. Bryan gave his idea of what civilization should mean, as follows:

"I want property to be the reward of industry, and I want every citizen to be secure in the enjoyment of the proceeds of his toil. I do not envy the rich. I am not desirous of pulling them down. I want a civilization that makes every poor man hope to be better off, and relieves the rich man of the fear that his children will be trampled on if they ever become poor. I want a civilization that embraces within its benefits every deserving member of society. I do not want a civilization that will prevent a man from riding in a carriage, but I want a civilization that gives hopes to the driver of the carriage as well as to the man who rides in it. I want a civilization that gives hopes to the girl that works in the kitchen as well as to the one who sits in the parlor. I want a civilization that makes life worth living to every human being."

In commenting on the foregoing, the New York Sun says:

"That is the kind of country the United States is. Mr. Bryan has described it almost exactly. If everybody has not a home, everybody has an opportunity to have one. The driver of the carriage may live to be driven in his own. The kitchen maid may be the wife of a president. Every citizen is secure in the proceeds of his toil, except in so far as he may be perturbed by fears of Mr. Bryan's income tax, corporation baiting and trust harrying. Every poor man does hope to be rich, although he will never become so by means of Mr. Bryan's two-dollar-for-one thing. What is Mr. Bryan kicking about? Civilization in the United States is substantially as he says it should be. He ought to move to make the election of Mr. McKinley unanimous."

BRYAN'S TWO-FACED CONDUCT.

To the Editor of THE INDEPENDENT:

By his own admission Mr. Bryan made a trip to Washington on purpose to influence his political friends in the Senate to vote for the ratification of the treaty with Spain. The treaty having gone through by a very narrow majority, and that by means of his personal influence, he became in a manner responsible for it. It then having become a law, it was McKinley's duty as President to enforce its provisions and restore order in the islands. To accomplish this it became necessary to send armed forces there, and now Mr. Bryan turns his back upon what he has done, and denounces Mr. McKinley for doing that which he found himself, in his official capacity, obliged to do as to why he does this, each one is entitled to his own opinion, but it has a look of insincerity: it is ungenerous, unpatriotic and unwise. Can we imagine Wm. McKinley, Abraham Lincoln or George Washington guilty of such two-faced conduct in the presence of such a crisis as now? In those islands our countrymen are risking their lives in upholding the flag, the rights, the dignity and honor of our country, and every speech made by Bryan gives aid and comfort to the treacherous Filipinos, and sends scores of murderous bullets into the hearts of our soldier boys. He at the same time posing as a candidate for the presidency. He harps about our governing the Filipinos without their consent, when he knows, or ought to know, that as soon as they settle down in peace and show themselves fitted they will be allowed self government as a state, subject to the general laws of the United States, the same as the individual states of the union are subject to the authority of the United States. In his extreme interest for the half civilized Filipinos, he overlooks the fact that right here in our own country there is a state whose people are not governed by their own consent, but in opposition to their will as expressed by the majority. In the state of Kentucky the governor elected by the majority has been set aside, and a minority governor placed in power; a political outrage, and a direct stab at the heart of a democratic government, done by spurious Goebel Democrats, against whose usurpations Mr. Bryan utters not a single word of rebuke. In this we may see the insincerity of his pretense in parading his "paramount issue," fitting him, it might as well be called his paramount nonsense. We may be able to form an estimate of his abilities as an untried statesman when mention is made of his several crude predictions four years ago, not one of which has proved true. Mr. Bryan may be a very great orator, but in him we want no Nero fiddling when our industries are paralyzed and silent, penury and want invading the homes of the people.

AN AMERICAN CITIZEN.

Slusser's Vegetable Liver Pills rouse the liver to healthy action, give tone to the stomach and invigorate the kidneys. Every bottle guaranteed. At all druggists.

No Relief for 20 Years.

"I had bronchitis for twenty years," said Mrs. Minerva Smith, of Danville, Ill., "and at times have been bedfast. I never got relief until I had taken Foley's Honey and Tar. It is pleasant and gives quick relief, and is a sure cure for throat and lung diseases." Take nothing else. Rider & Snyder.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers are prompt, palatable, pleasant, powerful, purifying little pills. Rider & Snyder and C. W. Cupples, 139 W. Tremont street.

SPECIFIC CHARGES.

M. D. Ratchford Asks
Some Pointed Question

HINTS OF A CONSPIRACY.

Claims Mr. Findley's Enmity is Due to Failure to Secure Appointment for a Friend Who Was Unworthy of Confidence—Details Will be Given if Asked For.

To the Editor of THE INDEPENDENT:

I notice that Mr. Findley, in his stammering, equivocating, and almost untelligible prattle, has declined to accept the reward offered him to prove the truth of his public utterances. Having so decided, and in view of his failure to prove the same in the absence of reward, I feel free to repeat my previous statement. That he stands before your readers condemned as a liar and a slanderer, which assertion you will observe to his shame and discredit, he has made no attempt to deny or disprove. In my previous letters I have quoted carefully the language of Mr. Findley in reference to "Specific Charges," and have offered to pay him handsomely if he will prove that such charges were made. Here is his reply, note it: "After an inquiry we are not just exactly sure as to the particular time or place, but the newspapers, which are no doubt on file, would settle this point." What a phenomenal exhibition of criminal evasion of alleged facts; indeed if this process of reasoning be a sound one, I could now charge Mr. Findley, if I would, with any crime on the calendar even to the stealing of chickens, and sustain my charge, by referring subsequently to the files of THE INDEPENDENT. More than this, we have his ghastly spectacle as a newspaper correspondent, openly admitting his ignorance of the subject upon which he is writing, and in the same breath referring his readers to the newspapers for gospel truth.

This indeed is a peculiar literary taste, the writer who can first publish his book, then make inquiry from his neighbors as to its correctness, could surely set the world ablaze, if his literary genius was only equal to his perseverance, energy and gaud.

As to the "time and place" to which Mr. Findley refers, I desire to facilitate matters for him on this point by showing that such a question has never entered the controversy, and by making the proposition so broad and sweeping that he cannot get away from it. I will allow Mr. Findley to name both the time and place, and challenge him again to prove the truth of his assertions. Is this denial comprehensive enough? Does it look like taking shelter behind "technical shadows," or does it look like Mr. Findley's pet nailed to the fence? Let him answer.

Returning now to the basic principle, the underlying cause and purpose of the controversy, I asserted at the beginning that a purely personal grievance was the real basis of the slander, which assertion I shall now prove by hard, stubborn facts, as well as by Mr. Findley's own letters, which explain his estimation of my public services up to within the last three months. Here is his so-called "honest opinion" as expressed through THE INDEPENDENT on February 7 last, which I quote for what it is worth:

"If Governor Nash is desirous of doing justice to the 25,000 miners of Ohio, he will permit Mr. Haseltine to walk off at the other end of the plank and appoint a man more friendly to labor. The man whom we believe would fill the bill satisfactorily would be the Hon. M. D. Ratchford, of Massillon. The miners have never heretofore been recognized in the appointment with the single exception of the first one."

Here is his "honest opinion" expressed in the same manner on April 18 last: "The many friends of the Hon. M. D. Ratchford, of this place, are highly pleased to learn of his being called to take charge of the commissioner of labor's office at Columbus, to succeed John P. Jones. Governor Nash is to be congratulated on his wise selection and in placing so competent a man at the head of so important a bureau."

Here also is his flexible and elastic opinion, "honest," of course, which appeared in THE INDEPENDENT of June 13 last. Note the date and the radical change of front, without reflection to the gentlemen whose names appear: "President McKinley has appointed H. Litchman, ex-secretary-treasurer of the Knights of Labor, as a member of the Industrial Commission, to succeed M. D. Ratchford, resigned. While the term of the commission has been extended, yet the time is short for Mr. Litchman to prove his real worth in behalf of labor. Had he been placed on the commission at the beginning, we have every reason to believe that better results would have been accomplished."

The question now arises as to what causes operated in bringing about the change of heart. I will explain briefly. After my appointment as labor commissioner, about the middle of last April, Mr. Findley, seeking political plums, as usual, called on me on two occasions during the latter part of that month, his last visit being to my home on the evening of April 30 last. In both instances he pressed me for the promise of personal political favors on behalf of one of his friends, which fact I feel free to recall under present circumstances. However, I refused to make any promise, and have as steadfastly refused to grant him any favors, and shall continue doing so even at the expense of

his friendship, when I know positively that the person whose claims he urges is entirely unworthy of confidence or public trust.

Any man, whether he be Mr. Findley's friend or foe, who has padded his accounts while in the public service, and has charged hotel bills to one end of the state while he actually lived at home at the other, is in my judgment absolutely dishonest, and cannot serve in my department while I am responsible for its affairs. This padding of accounts, however, may be one of the incidents for which Mr. Findley is not responsible. I have not intimated that he was a party to the steal, nor have I said that he was even a beneficiary, but prefer instead that the reader shall draw upon his own imagination, and judge of him and his actions in the light of the circumstances, and of the supreme effort put forth to land his man.

Further than this I shall not go into the details of the case at present, and shall not mention any names. I believe enough has been said to establish the truth of my claims as to the real cause of the controversy, as well as to the justice of my position. I also believe that I have been plain enough for Mr. Findley to understand, but if for any reason he is not "just exactly sure" and wants details, names and proofs, he knows how to proceed, and I know how to supply them without rewards.

Mr. Findley's troubles, however, are not yet fully treated; there is one that has taken very acute form and must be attended to now. He wants to know "when and how I became a Republican, and why I make and dictate appointments outside of our party." In answer, I contend that my political creed has been proven to be sound enough for President William McKinley, Governor Nash, Senator Hanna and a number of other men of their class, which is more than can be said for Mr. Findley, notwithstanding his many years of hard effort to obtain political distinction. I also submit the above letters from him, a "self-professed life long Republican," as evidence that my political faith has always been accepted and commended by him, and I assert must now be tolerated by him.

As to the making of appointments, Mr. Findley is evidently arrogating to himself a power for which there is no warrant in law: the statutes provide that it is the governor who shall be consulted upon this subject. At all events, the political creed and competency of the employees of the bureau is found in the fact that they have all been supported by much cleaner and better Republicans than Mr. Findley, and in the further fact that they have very forcibly demonstrated their willingness to swell the campaign fund, a crime which I believe was never charged to their assailant.

Another of Mr. Findley's troubles should now be treated. He complains of the number of offices which I have held, as well as my administration of the same. To this I reply that I have never held an office or drawn a salary, to which I have not given my time, and for which I have not given my services in return. These claims, indeed, aside from their falsity, come with very poor grace from one who has for so many years evidenced his greed for public office. He has served as postmaster, member of county committee, and of the board of township trustees at the same time, and has further shown his official capacity by running a beer saloon in connection with his postoffice. In view of these facts it might be proper to ask how many salaries he has drawn, and to what office he devoted his attention.

Further comment upon the subject of Mr. Findley's recent letter would only lend it a dignity beyond its merits, and give to its author a popularity which he cannot now command. As a whole, I brand it as an aggregation of general vagaries and falsehoods, emanating from the diseased mind of one who is surpassed in the race for positions of trust and responsibility, and whose only political creed is that of envy and malice. Mr. Findley's self-professed, life long history as a Republican, though loudly boasted of by him, is yet confined to his own township, and I dare say, like that of his Trade Unionism, will fail to bear the search light of investigation. He has declined or evaded to answer the questions addressed to him in my last letter in reference to the latter. Let him now explain in his borrowed phrases, if he will, his connection with the political conspiracy of less than three years ago to defeat the election of Hon. M. A. Hanna, his party's candidate for the United States Senate. Let him also explain his position in the last state election, as there are many good Republicans who believe that they see his Italian hand in the result of the vote of Newman precinct. If it should embarrass Mr. Findley to talk upon those things because of their recent occurrence, let him go back a few years and recite the history of his position in the campaign of John R. Dangler for treasurer of Stark county. He may also be able to throw some light on his position in reference to this controversy, which he has repeatedly said he did not want. Let him explain why he elected to plunge into the newspapers with his troubles rather than discuss them with me personally, even when he visited my home. When these questions are cleared up as well as others heretofore addressed to him, I may be able to go into his history in greater detail, but until this is done, I do not think I shall give him any more advertising.

Very respectfully,

M. D. RATCHFORD,
Aug. 29, 1900.

"I had a running sore on my leg for seven years," writes Mrs. James Forest, of Chippewa Falls, Wis., "and spent hundreds of dollars in trying to get it healed. Two boxes of Banner Salve entirely cured it." Rider & Snyder.

Read the "want" columns daily!

FATAL STREET CAR ACCIDENT.

One Killed and Three Injured—Irresponsible Order to Jump the Cause.

Akron, O., Sept. 1.—The fuse on a rapid transit car burned out near Silver lake and half the carload of passengers obeyed the order of someone to jump from the car. FERDINAND BARGETZ, aged 14, jumped, and, striking a telegraph pole, was killed. MRS. WM. METCALF, of Cuyahoga Falls, suffered internal injuries. SADIE METCALF, her daughter, had an arm broken. ADA HUBLINGER, of Barberton, had her shoulder broken. Others were less seriously hurt. Nearly all on the car jumped, and piled themselves in promiscuous confusion.

An Editor Dies at His Desk.

Bloomington, Pa., Sept. 31.—Wm. H. Smith, editor of the Benton Argus, died suddenly while seated at his desk. He had shortly before left his home apparently in the best of health. The deceased was one of the most prominent editors in this section of the state and was 58 years of age. Prior to his establishing the Benton Argus, a staunch Democratic paper, he was the editor of the Milton Argus.

The Massillon Market.

The following prices are paid by Massillon merchants today:

GRAIN, HAY, STRAW AND WOOL.	
Wheat (old).....	75
Hay, per ton.....	10 00 to 12 00
Straw, per ton.....	5 50
Corn.....	47
Oats.....	22-26
Clover Seed.....	4 25-4 50
Timothy Seed.....	125-150
Rye, per bu.....	50
Barley.....	48
Flax seed.....	1 50
Wool (unwashed, fine).....	14-15
Wool (unwashed, medium).....	20-21

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Potatoes, per bushel new.....	35-40
Beets, per doz. bunches.....	25
Apples.....	50-60
Cabbage, per dozen.....	30-35
Evaporated apples.....	.08 to 10
White beans.....	2 09
Onions.....	60

BUTTER, EGGS AND POULTRY.

Butter.....	18-20
Eggs.....	12
Chickens, live, apiece.....	25-30
Chickens, dressed.....	11

MEATS AND CHEESE.

Ham.....	11
Shoulder.....	07
Lard.....	07
Sides.....	.06 to 07
Cheese.....	12

The following are retail prices:

Bran, per 100 lbs.....	90
Middlings "per 100 lbs.....	90

BANK STATEMENT.

Reserve increased.....	\$ 3,189,500
Loans decreased.....	538,000
Specie increased.....	3,375,200
Legals increased.....	349,000
Deposits increased.....	2,130,000
Circulation increased.....	316,900

CHICAGO.

Wheat:	Open- ing.	High- est.	Low- est.	Close.
Sept	74 1/4	74 3/4	74 1/4	74 1/4
Oct	75 1/4	75 3/4	75 1/4	75 1/4
Corn.				
Sept	40	40 3/4	40	40 3/4
Oct	39	39 3/4	39	39 3/4
Oats.				
Sept	21 1/4	21 3/4	21 1/4	21 1/4
Oct	21 1/4	21 3/4	21 1/4	21 1/4
Pork.				
Sept	10 97	10 97	10 92	10 92
Lard.				
Sept	6 77	6 77	6 75	6 77

CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—[By Associated Press]—Cattle steady, \$5.64@5.10; hogs steady; \$4.80@5.42.

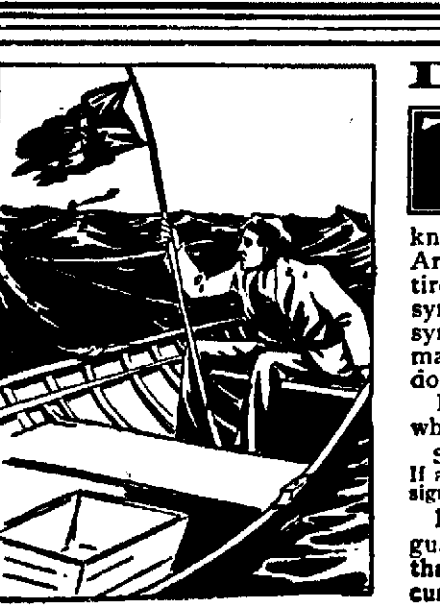
How Bright's Disease Starts.

Indigestion, biliousness, blood poisoned with urea and uric acid (which should have been excreted by the kidneys), rheumatic pains in nerves and joints, causing irritation of the kidneys, then pains over the small of the back, mark sure approach of Bright's Disease. Do not delay taking Foley's Kidney Cure, for it makes the kidneys right. Rider & Snyder.

You can spell it cough, cough, cough, kaff, kaff, kough, or kough, but the only harmless remedy that quickly cures it is One Minute Cough Cure. Rider & Snyder and C. W. Cupples, 139 W. Tremont street.

A good many consumptives would be cured and the worst cases comforted and relieved by using Foley's Honey and Tar. Suggest it to those afflicted. You should do this as a friend. Rider & Snyder.

Poisonous toadstools resembling mushrooms have caused frequent deaths this year. Be sure to use only the genuine. Observe the same care when you ask for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. There are poisonous counterfeits. DeWitt's is the only original Witch Hazel Salve. It's a safe and certain cure for piles and all skin diseases. Rider & Snyder and Chas. W. Cupples, 139 W. Tremont street.



BANNER SALVE heals all hurts but Cupid's wounds.

Rider & Snyder, Druggists.

Over-Work Weakens
Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes.

The kidneys are your blood purifiers, they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood. If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work. Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected

kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or uneasy heart beats, and makes one feel as though they are over-working, in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries. It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail. Home of Swamp-Root, free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

The emergency bags sent by a church society to Kansas soldiers in the Philippines contained among the necessities a box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the well known cure for piles, injuries and skin diseases. The ladies took care to obtain the original DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, knowing that all the counterfeits are worthless. Rider & Snyder, C. W. Cupples, 139 West Tremont street.

Every family should have its household medicine chest, and the first bottle in it should be Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, nature's remedy for coughs and colds.

The most dainty and effective pills made are DeWitt's Little Early Risers. They are unequalled for all liver and bowel troubles. Never gripe. Rider & Snyder and C. W. Cupples, 139 W. Tremont street.

Allen Halverson, of West Prairie, Wis., says: "People come ten miles to buy Foley's Kidney Cure," while J. A. Spero, of Holmer, Ind., says: "It is the medical wonder of the age." Rider & Snyder.

Kodol
Dyspepsia Cure

Digests what you eat.

It artificially digests the food and aids nature in strengthening and reconstructing the exhausted digestive organs. It is the latest discovered digestant and tonic. No other preparation can approach it in efficiency. It instantly relieves and permanently cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Heartburn, Flatulence, Sour Stomach, Nausea, Sick Headache, Gastralgia, Cramps, and all other results of imperfect digestion. Prepared by E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago. Chas. W. Cupples, 139 W. Tremont Street. Rider & Snyder, 12 East Main Street.

Dissolution Notice.

The firm of Sarah A. Masters and Wm. Findley, of this place, under the firm name of Masters & Findley, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent. All those knowing themselves indebted to said firm will please call at the old stand and settle. The firm has no debts. Signed by SARAH A. MASTERS, WM. FINDLEY. Newman, O., August 8, 1900. The business will continue at the old stand by the Masters Bros. Wm. Findley will be found at the new stand.

Young Men Wanted with fair education and good character, to learn Telegraphy, Railroad accounting, and typewriting. This is a business of the future, and the only company in the world that offers a reliable institution of its kind. All our graduates are assisted to positions. Ladies also admitted. Write for free catalogue. Telegraph College, Lexington, Ky.

Legal Notice.

Augusta W. Gruenberg whose residence is unknown, will take notice that on the 18th day of August, 1900, Gustav Gruenberg died his petition in the Court of Common Pleas, Stark County, Ohio, being cause Number 14,712, praying for a divorce from said Augusta W. Gruenberg, on the ground that said defendant has been willfully absent from plaintiff for more than three years last past and has wholly disregarded all marital duties, and that said cause will be heard on and after the 2nd day of October 1900. Hemperly & Howells, Attys. for Plaintiff.

Notice of Appointment.

The undersigned has been duly appointed executor of the estate of Charlotte Russell, late of Stark county, Ohio, deceased. Dated the 28th day of July, 1900. JOHN P. HASSLER, Executor.

DRIFTING.

HOWARD Bright's disease, diabetes, gravel or other serious kidney or bladder disease is what thousands are doing who do not know it. You may be one of them. Are you neglecting that backache, tired-out feeling, dizziness or other symptom of kidney disorder? The symptoms of kidney disease are many and peculiar—baffling even to doctors. Here is a simple and sure test which any one may try: Set aside a bottle of urine for twelve hours. If a sediment or settling occurs it is a sure sign of kidney disease. Foley's Kidney Cure is absolutely guaranteed. You run no risk. See that you get Foley's, the guaranteed cure.

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UNITED STATES LEADS

A Succession of Very Clever Diplomatic Moves.

AWAITING RESPONSE TO OUR NOTE.

Li Hung Chang's Eligibility to Negotiate Still an Open Question—It Is Thought the Imperial Rulers of China Will Soon Return and Assume Their Duties.

Washington, Sept. 1.—The Russian note relative to the withdrawal of Russia from China and the United States' response thereto were made public Friday by the state department, after the cabinet had fully considered the expediency of so doing. The correspondence is unique in the history of diplomatic exchange. It may be said to illustrate a clever move by which the United States government has again assumed the lead in prescribing the policy of the powers respecting the Chinese trouble. This was accomplished by the state department's availing itself of the Russian note to address to the powers an inquiry as to their policies, an answer to which can scarcely be avoided.

Various meanings may be placed upon the statements of the two principals to this correspondence. Thus, on the one hand, it may be noted that while Russia announces a purpose to withdraw her troops from China, still, as to the occupying force at Niu Chang, a condition is attached that almost negatives the proposition as to that point. Respecting our own attitude, it appears that, while believing the best course to pursue is to remain at Peking, our government is still willing to withdraw. Perhaps this means that if there is to be separate action by the powers in China, the United States proposes to deal with the situation with a free hand.

Our Proposition to Withdraw.

It may be noted, in connection with our withdrawal statement that, whereas Russia proposed to withdraw from China, our offer is to withdraw only from Peking. A significant fact in this connection is that General Chaffee, who is well advised of the situation, having several days ago been directed to prepare for just such an emergency as that precipitated by the Russian action, continues his preparations for wintering the American troops in China. Indeed, unless the men are afloat and out of the Pei Ho within the next six weeks, they are likely to remain in China perforce, being ice-bound.

General Chaffee was further advised Friday of the developments in the situation, a compendious statement of the points in the Russo-American correspondence being cabled to him for his guidance. As bearing further on the prospects of the future, it may be noted the war department officials state that the government has not considered the question of the evacuation of China.

Only Two Answers.

It scarcely is expected that even with the aid of the cables a complete accord can be reached upon this last proposition immediately. Up to the close of the official day only two communications had been received in consequence of our last note. One was from the British foreign office, through the American embassy, stating that Lord Salisbury was absent from London, and merely promising consideration for the note. The German response was through Mr. Jackson, and was equally inconclusive, indicating a wish on the part of the German government for time to consider the proposition.

The officials here say that they are satisfied that Japan, at least, is fully in accord with our objects, as set out in the note, and rather expected an early answer from the government of that country. France has not been heard from on this point, her last communication relating entirely to the matter of Li Hung Chang's status.

The full text of the French government's answer to Li Hung Chang's peace proposals of Aug. 10 and 21 has just been received here. It proves to be almost identical in language with the reply of the American government, which laid down as a preliminary to peace overtures that security in the Chinese capital and responsible government authority be established.

It has developed in the course of careful consideration which officials have given to Li Hung Chang's credentials, that they were issued by the empress dowager, and not by the emperor, Kwang Tsu. This may have an important bearing on the subject, as it opens up the authority of the empress dowager since the coup d'état of September 9, 1898, when she took the reins of power from the hands of the emperor.

The Return of Prince Ching.

It involves also the issues between the empress dowager, who is anti-foreign, and the emperor, who is pro-foreign. Still a further consideration is the Russian sympathies entertained by the empress dowager, as against the British sympathies held by the emperor. Thus far, however, there has been no questioning of the credentials on any of the personal grounds mentioned, although they are forcible in shaping the action of the several powers.

Although the exact whereabouts of Li Hung Chang continue to be in doubt it is the understanding of diplomatic officials that he is now in continuous communication with the imperial household, and thus is enabled to convey to them the prospect of a return to the Chinese capital. The expected return of Prince Ching to Peking is said to be a result of this communication between Earl Li and the imperial family, and to be the initial move of responsible authorities toward the capital.

There is reason to believe also that Earl Li is now in frequent telegraphic correspondence with European capitals, although Washington has not received a word from him since Aug. 21, the date of the last appeal for peace. Some significance is attached to this, as indicating that Earl Li,

falling to get from Washington an acceptance of his overtures, turned to Europe, and more particularly to Russia.

It was stated Friday, as an additional reason for American acceptance of Li Hung Chang, that his confidential secretary and adviser is an American, Mr. Petrick, formerly of the American consular service at Tien Tsin. Mr. Petrick is known to have great influence with the viceroy, and among the officials here, he is regarded as a man of exceptional ability and scrupulous integrity.

ELEVEN CASES OF BUBONIC PLAGUE.

All Vessels From Glasgow to Stay in Quarantine Twelve Days.

Washington, Sept. 1.—The following cablegram was received by the marine hospital service:

"Glasgow, Aug. 31.—Local board of health declares Glasgow infected with plague. Eleven cases and one suspicious case in the hospital today."

New York, Sept. 1.—Dr. A. H. Dely, health officer of the port of New York, said that hereafter all vessels from Glasgow to this port would be detained at Quarantine for a period of 12 days from their embarkation. "This length of time," said Dr. Dely, "is the maximum period of incubation. As there are only two passenger lines plying between this port and Glasgow the work will be simplified."

Denmark has also quarantined against Glasgow.

Pennsylvania Pensions.

Washington, Sept. 1.—The following Pennsylvania men were granted pensions Friday: John W. Worrell, dead, West Brownsville, \$12; Benjamin Nye, dead, Frisco, \$12; Edward Haines, Powell, \$17; William England, Morgan, \$10; Fernando C. Harper, Connecticut Lake, \$8; Michael Hubley, Shippensburg, \$8; John Slater, Etna, \$12; Samuel Griffith, Jenners, \$10; Jasper M. Hathaway, Avenue, \$8; John Longsdorf, Greensburg, \$8; Stephen C. Johnston, Tionesta, \$10; James A. Green, Johnstown, \$12; Smith E. Guthrie, Mead, \$10; Hannah Stair, Tyrone, \$8; Mary E. Nye, Frisco, \$8; Mary E. Waddell, West Brownsville, \$8; Mary E. Laurence, Sharon, \$12.

BRYAN A VERY BUSY MAN.

He Will Speak in Seven States Within Almost as Many Days.

Chicago, Sept. 1.—Announcement is made by the Democratic national committee that W. J. Bryan will leave Lincoln for Chicago Friday night and will arrive here Saturday morning. At noon he will leave for South Bend, Ind., where he will speak Saturday night.

Between Chicago and South Bend several five-minute speeches will be made. After the South Bend engagement Mr. Bryan will return to Chicago, reaching here Sunday morning, and on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock he will speak at the Labor day demonstration. On Monday night Colonel Bryan will leave for Cumberland, Md., to fill an engagement Tuesday night, in speaking in conjunction with Senator Wellington. Mr. Bryan will make a few speeches in West Virginia, and will then return west and speak in Milwaukee on Sept. 8. Mr. Bryan will speak at Ft. Wayne, Ind., on the 13th, and at Columbus, O., on the following afternoon, whence he will go to St. Louis for an address on the evening of the 15th.

BOTH SIDES OF POLITICS.

Negro Preacher Thinks That's the Way to Solve Lynching Problem.

Alexandria, Va., Sept. 1.—The Lott Avery Baptist missionary convention adjourned to meet in Philadelphia next year. The race question was the chief subject of discussion.

Rev. Dr. Spiller, of Hampton, Va., said that all over the country there was an effort by both parties to drive the negro out of politics. He thought the negroes ought to get on both sides of politics. He was willing to vote for the party that would stop the lynching of negroes and let them be tried and executed by law.

SHOT A FARMER IN THE HEAD.

Gang of Outlaws Terrorizing Residents in the Center of the State.

Harrisburg, Pa., Sept. 1.—Robbers shot and fatally wounded Lafayette Strayer, a farmer, near Elizabethtown, this county. Strayer refused to unlock the door, when three shots were fired through the panel, one taking effect in his head. Before leaving the gang fired several shots at a servant without effect.

After holding up another farmer and relieving him of his valuables the bandits escaped to the mountains. Armed searching parties are scouring the surrounding country, and, if found, very little mercy will be shown.

Returning Missionary From China.

East Liverpool, O., Sept. 1.—The Rev. Chas. M. Swan, who went to China as a missionary several years ago, telegraphs his people here from Vancouver, B. C., that he is on his way home with his wife and two children. He is a son of the Rev. J. N. Swan, one of the oldest and best-known Presbyterian ministers in Eastern Ohio.

Women in Politics in Indiana.

Tipton, Ind., Sept. 1.—The Democratic campaign was opened here by Miss Margaret Ingles, of Kentucky, and Mrs. Helen Gougar, of Lafayette, both speaking afternoon and night. All the arrangements were in the hands of the women.

Figures Show How We Grow.

Washington, Sept. 1.—Census bureau figures: Covington, Ky., 42,938, gain of 14.9 per cent in the last ten years; Pawtucket, R. I., 39,231, gain of 41.97 per cent; Quincy, Ill., 36,352, gain of 15.11 per cent.

Count Von Waldersee at Aden.

Aden, Sept. 1.—Field Marshal Count von Waldersee, selected to command the international forces in China, landed here Friday, and was received by a guard of honor of British troops.

Met Death at a Crossing.

Alliance, O., Sept. 1.—Chas. Miller, aged 14, was struck by an eastbound passenger train and killed while attempting to drive across the Ft. Wayne tracks at Maximo, just west of here.

POWERS ARE AT SEA.

The Russo-American Move a Great Mystery to Them.

TSI TSI KAR CAPTURED BY RUSSIA.

Count Von Buelow Thinks the Situation Is Grave—Law and Order Being Restored in Peking—Return of Prince Ching Is Regarded as a Good Omen.

London, Sept. 1.—In the absence of further news from China the papers are again filled with discussions of the Russo-American proposals, which, so far as may be gathered from the representations of opinions in the various European capitals, are calculated to subject the unity of the allies to an exceedingly severe and dangerous test.

In Germany especially these proposals are so diametrically opposed to Emperor William's policy that they have produced something like consternation. As The Daily News editorially remarks, "Count von Waldersee was assuredly not sent to assist in restoring the empress dowager."

It is recognized on all sides that Germany's decision is the pivot of the matter. Emperor William intended by dispatching Count von Waldersee to have the master hand in the Chinese settlement. Russia has taken the wind out of that officer's sails, and is now posing as the friend and protector of China.

Vienna specialists show that the Russo-American proposals have caused extreme annoyance there. It is believed that Austria-Hungary will follow in Germany's steps, but it is recognized in both Berlin and Vienna that the withdrawal of the United States and Russia from Peking would leave the other powers little option but to follow.

London, Sept. 1.—General Rennekampf, according to the St. Petersburg correspondent of The Daily Mail, captured Tsi Tsi Kar August 29. As he advanced the Chinese surrendered by hundreds.

The dispatch says that Governor General Grodekoff will soon remove the seat of the Amur government from Khabarovsk to Tsi Tsi Kar and will later transfer it to Charbin.

GERMAN GOVERNMENT EMBARRASSED.

Von Buelow Cannot Account For the Russo-American Understanding.

Berlin, Sept. 1.—The German government is considerably embarrassed by the joint proposition of the United States and Russia to withdraw from Peking and to recognize Li Hung Chang as an intermediary. It was wholly unexpected here that Russia would join the United States in such a step. Count von Buelow, the foreign minister, considers the new situation thus created so important as to compel him to abandon the vacation trip he was about to take.

Last evening the semi-official press expresses the views of the government in cautiousness. A foreign office official made the following statement on the subject:

"Germany has not yet answered Russia's request to withdraw from Peking. The other powers do not regard the military situation there as precarious. As far as Li Hung Chang is concerned, Germany is ready to acknowledge him as China's representative in peace negotiations if he show himself properly accredited; but as to this feature of the case nothing is as yet known here."

LAWLESS ELEMENT OVERAWED.

Prince Ching's Return to Peking—German May Start a Holy War.

Washington, Sept. 1.—The most gratifying features of the Chinese situation are the announcement by Minister Conger that Prince Ching is expected to return to Peking and the apparent determination of Russia to secure, if possible, the withdrawal of the allies from that city. The most alarming phase is the indication that the German people feel that they have a mission in China, a duty call to wage a holy war against the Chinese. Prince Ching's return to Peking is taken to indicate a healthy reaction in sentiment. Ching is known as a friend of foreigners, and several times before the relief of Peking his death at the hands of the Boxer element was reported. That he can now return in safety means that the lawless element has been overawed, and that under the protection of the allied forces the pro-foreign faction is asserting itself.

THE TABLES TURNED.

A Dose of Their Own Medicine Administered to the Boxers.

Taku, Sept. 1.—The viceroy reports that the tactics of the city of Tsang Chow, on the canal, invited 2,000 Boxers to a feast, and that while the Boxers were eating and their arms were stacked, the imperial soldiers, by his orders, fell upon them and slaughtered all of them.

Chinese Newspaper Suppressed.

Hongkong, Sept. 1.—The acting viceroy of Canton has suppressed all the native newspapers on the ground that they have been publishing false news, detrimental to the maintenance of peace.

Forecast of United States Population.

Washington, Sept. 1.—Director Merriam, of the census bureau, is confident that the completed count will show that the United States numbers nearly 80,000,000 souls within its boundaries, exclusive of Hawaii, Porto Rico and the Philippines. If congress takes up the question of reapportionment of representatives under the new census count, 56 additional members would be added to the 357 now seated.

The man who is always pointing out to other people what a lot of money they might have if they took his advice never has any himself.—Atchison Globe.

A light and trifling mind never takes in great ideas and never accomplishes anything great or good.—Sprague.

BEST MONTHLY STATEMENT

Some Mills Have Iron Orders a Long Way Ahead—Coke Output Reduced.

New York, Sept. 1.—H. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade said: Commercial failures during August were 735 in number, with liabilities of \$7,323,503. Manufacturing were 174, for \$2,945,907; trading, 519, for \$3,585,497, and other commercial, 42, for \$792,229. There were only two banks, with liabilities of \$145,000. This is the best monthly statement for 1900 thus far, but shows an increase over the corresponding month in the two preceding years. Sheet mills in the Cumberland district and some in Indiana have shut down, throwing many hands out of employment, but part of these will be transferred to other departments of the new crucible steel company. Otherwise the working force is increasing and hope is expressed for an adjustment with the anthracite coal miners. Steading company miners are said to be opposed to a strike, and others are in the same position. Another important influence of the week has been favorable weather for the development of corn over the greater part of the surplus corn states, though heavy rains in the spring wheat region have retarded harvesting.

Steady improvement is seen in the iron market. It is not marked by large advances, but wherever change occurs it is in the right direction. It is claimed by some authorities that orders currently booked aggregate more than present production and shipments. Special concessions to secure prospective business are withdrawn, and buyers seek contracts for prompt delivery. In some lines mills are actively employed with orders for months ahead, and contracts running to the spring placed this week. Sales of iron bars were made at \$1.40, and \$16 is quoted for Bessemer pig at Pittsburg. Western stove manufacturers have been buying freely, and more bridge builders signed contracts for structural material. Merchant steel advanced on increasing orders, while domestic purchases of cotton ties were large, although rather late. Copper shows an average of a million pounds per day, and the market is in strong position. Iron ore handlers have made trouble at Cleveland, and the industry will be embarrassed by delay in unloading vessels. Further reduction is shown in the output at Connellsville coke ovens.

There is general quiet at both cotton and woolen mills. The only manufacturers showing any interest in wool at Boston are those with government contracts that must be filled promptly. Prices of wool are unchanged and western holders have not lost any of their confidence.

Failures for the week were 175 in the United States, against 141 last year, and 49 in Canada, against 25 last year.

A DAY IN WALL STREET.

Not Much Animation in the Stock Market—Sugar Was Active.

New York, Sept. 1.—Except for some active selling of Sugar and People's Gas there was not a particle of animation in Friday's stock market. The sympathetic effect of the weakness of these two specialties wiped out the slight opening sales in some of the international railroad stocks. Again at the close there was sufficient demand from the short interest which was adverse to leaving contracts uncovered over the three holidays, to stiffen the prices of some of the rails, but the general tone was easy, owing to a late drive against People's Gas. Among those to show notable firmness were Southern Pacific, New York Central and Baltimore and Ohio.

The movement in Sugar was about equally independent of the news of the day and was apparently due to realizing on the advance in the refined product, which was made yesterday. The part taken by the professional element was based on a scrutiny of the source of the orders in the week, and when the traders thought they could trace selling orders to inside sources they trailed on and sold. Tobacco and Brooklyn Transit were weak during the morning, but partly recovered later in the day.

Money market conditions, consisting of an easing of the London discount rate and the promise of a strong bank statement Saturday, were ignored.

The bond market was barren of incident. Total sales, par value, \$635,000. U. S. old 4s declined 1/4 in the bid price.

ANDREE'S NORTH POLE EXPEDITION.

Buoy No. 4 Picked Up—Splendid Weather Reported—All Well.

Stockholm, Sept. 1.—Captain Gren-dahl telegraphs the following message from Skjervoe, Norway: "Andree's buoy No. 4 has been found here and contains the following: 'July 7, 10 p. m., Greenwich.—Our voyage goes well so far. Are now at an altitude of 250 meters. Original direction, north, 10 degrees east; compass, undeviation. Later, north, 45 degrees east; compass, undeviation. Four carrier pigeons dispatched. They are flying west. We are now over ice, which is very rugged. Weather splendid the whole time. In excellent spirits. [Signed:] Andree, Strindberg and Franckel. 'Above the clouds; fine; 7:45 Greenwich mean time.'"

GOOD ORDER PREVAILS IN CUBA.

The People Are Well Fed—Health of Our Soldiers Excellent.

Jucaro, Cuba, Sept. 1.—Governor General Wood, after a careful canvass of the island, will return to Havana Sunday evening. The effect of his tour has been excellent. Wherever he has been he has found good order prevailing and the jails for the greater part empty. The reconstruction of the country is slow, but much is being achieved. Nowhere has been seen evidences of suffering from hunger.

The health of the United States troops at all points is good. The political situation still retards the investment of foreign capital, but the public school system is steadily expanding, with the probability that at an early date places will be found for 250,000 children.

NEGRO PREACHER STRUNG UP.

The Monster Was Responsible For the Death of Six Persons.

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 1.—Thos. Jones, a negro preacher, the murderer of a family of six persons, was hanged here in the county jail.

The execution was private. Jones murdered Ella Jones, colored, and her 14-year-old daughter, and then set fire to their home, burning alive four small children.

This Will Not Be Broken.

East Liverpool, O., Sept. 1.—The will of the late Hannah Rutledge, of Hanover township, this county, filed in the probate court Friday is a curiosity. One provision is that any heir who tries to break the will or manifests his dissatisfaction in any way must be sent to the workhouse for 60 days and be fined \$300.

Schoolhouse Used For a Speakeasy.

Irwin, Pa., Sept. 1.—Barto Kearing has been arrested for running a speakeasy in the old Shawton schoolhouse, near here. He gave bail for court.

GUILTY OR NOT GUILTY

DISEASED MEN CURED

THOUSANDS of young men, middle aged men and old men can look back at their boyhood days or early manhood with a sigh of remorse. The ignorance of early youth or later on a mispent life as "one of the boys" has sown the seeds for future suffering. SELF ABUSE is a terrible sin against nature and will bring a rich harvest. Blood and Private Diseases sap the very life and vitality of the victim. Our NEW METHOD TREATMENT will positively cure all the following diseases:

VARICOCELE, EMISSIONS, NERVOUS DEBILITY, SYPHILIS, STRICTURE, GLEET, SEMINAL WEAKNESS, PIMPLES, LOST MANHOOD, UNNATURAL DISCHARGES, KIDNEY AND BLADDER DISEASES.

ARE YOU? NERVOUS and despondent; weak or debilitated; tired mornings; no ambition—Moles; memory poor; easily fatigued; excitable and irritable; eyes sunken, red and blurred; pimples on face; dreams and night losses; restlessness; haggard looking; weak back; bone pains; hair loose; ulcers; sore throat; varicose veins in arms and legs; at stool distress; want of confidence; lack of energy and strength. **WE CAN CURE YOU OR ASK NO PAY.**

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SNATCHED FROM THE GRAVE. A Warning from the Living. "At 15 I learned a bad habit. Tried four doctors and nerve tonics by the score without benefit; emissions and drains increased. I became a nervous wreck. A friend who had been cured by Drs. Kennedy & Kergan of a similar disease, advised me to try them. I did so and in two months was positively cured. This was eight years ago. I am now married and have two healthy children."—C. W. LEWIS, Saginaw.

VARICOCELE CURED. "Varicocele made life miserable. I was weak and nervous, eyes sunken, head in society, hair thin, no ambition. The Golden Monitor opened my eyes. The New Method Treatment of Drs. Kennedy and Kergan cured me in a few weeks."—I. L. PETERSON, Ionia.

EMISSIONS CURED. J. P. EMMERSON relates his experience. "I lived on a farm. At school I learned an early habit, which weakened me physically, sexually and mentally. Family doctors said I was going into 'decline' (consumption). Finally 'The Golden Monitor,' edited by Drs. Kennedy & Kergan, fell into my hands. I learned the TRUTH and the CAUSE. Self-abuse had sapped my vitality. I took the New Method Treatment and was cured. My friends think I was cured of consumption. I have sent them many patients, all of whom were cured. Their New Method Treatment supplies vigor, vitality and manhood."

SYPHILIS CURED. "This terrible blood disease was in my system for eight years. Had taken mercury for two years, but the disease returned. Eyes red, pimples and blotches on the skin, ulcers in the mouth and on tongue, bone pains, falling out of hair, weakness, etc. My brother, who had been cured of Gleet and Stricture by Drs. Kennedy and Kergan, recommended them. They cured me in a few weeks, and I thank God I consulted them. No return of the disease in six years."—W. P. M. JACKSON.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Discovered this Week by Independent Investigators.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Geis, in East Cherry street, a son.

Miss Xenia Seese has gone to Justus to visit relatives for a few days.

Mrs. Noel, of Iowa, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Sarah Yeager, in Cherry street.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry McDonald left on Saturday for a visit with relatives at Elyria.

Mrs. John Arthur and son have returned from a six weeks' visit with relatives in Chicago.

Miss Artie Otto has taken a position in the exchange of the Central Union Telephone Company.

Mrs. A. N. Evey, of Kenton, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee F. Graybill in Wellman street.

Henry Kriyer, of Philadelphia, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Kriyer, in West Main street.

Mrs. T. C. Putnam has returned to her home at Beach City, after a several weeks' visit with relatives in Massillon.

Miss Bessie Vickery, of Ravenna, formerly of this city, is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Vickery, for a few days.

Mrs. C. E. Wyandt and Miss Elizabeth Wyandt, of Abilene, Kan., are the guests of Dr. and Mrs. C. P. Wolf, in Plum street.

Simon Gintner and Mrs. Emma Weiss, of this city, were married by Justice Reigner, in the latter's office at Canton, on Thursday.

The Central Union Telephone Company has placed instruments in the residences of Philip Wuerz and Mrs. E. H. Schneider, Nos. 246 and 347, respectively.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert M. Fletcher have moved to this city from Pittsburg, and have taken up their residence in McLain street. Mr. Fletcher has accepted a position in the office of Hess, Snyder & Company.

Buckley Post G. A. R., of Akron, captured the banner offered by the Ohio department to the post having the largest number of men in the parade at Chicago. Two hundred veterans from Akron were in the parade.

William Wendling, who lost a foot some time ago while attempting to alight from a Pennsylvania train in this city, left this morning for a visit with Cleveland relatives. Mr. Wendling's foot is about healed.

The employees of the Massillon Bridge Company are arranging for a picnic and outing. Nothing definite has yet been decided. The committee will meet this evening. Many of the men favor the running of an excursion to Chippewa lake.

The excursion to Euclid Beach park recently given by Russell & Co.'s Employees' Mutual Benefit Association netted the society \$400.75. All indebtedness has been paid off, and that amount has been placed in the organization's treasury.

Fires were lighted in the tanks of the new Massillon Bottle and Glass Company on Saturday. It is the expectation of the company to put blowers at work on September 13. The switches of the C. L. & W. and W. & L. E. railways will be completed by that time.

Frank J. Draine, of Canton, a member of Company L, Eighth Ohio, during the Spanish-American war, is the first Stark county soldier to receive a pension for disabilities contracted during service in Cuba. He will draw \$17 per month, and will receive \$385 back pension, which has accumulated since his application was filed.

The seven young men and women charged with having tortured Frank Clay's horse by pelting it with sticks and bottles, the other day, appeared before Squire H. B. Sibila, to whom, while officiating as acting mayor in the absence of J. J. Wise, the affidavit was made. Two of the party were fined five dollars and costs each. The others were discharged.

At the election of national officers of the Daughters of Veterans, at Chicago, Miss Elizabeth Beardsley, of Alliance, was chosen as senior vice president. Miss Beardsley made a magnificent address before the national encampment of the veterans, pleading for recognition of the Daughters of Veterans, which was granted, largely owing to her persuasive eloquence.

Dr. Elmer W. Weirich, of Angel's Camp, Cal., is a guest at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Brown. Dr. Weirich left this city in 1884, and this is his first visit to the city since that year. Through the leading practitioner of Calaveras county, and in consequence a very busy man, Dr. Weirich has found time to devote to various business enterprises. He has extensive gold mining interests.

William Humes, of 194 Clay street, was engaged in bottling in potent Gleitsman & Ertle's bottling works, in South Erie street on Thursday afternoon, when one of the bottles exploded with considerable force. Several of the sharp fragments struck his right arm inflicting ugly gashes near the elbow, and severing one large blood vessel. Dr. S. Hattery dressed the wounds. Humes was very weak from loss of blood, but is much improved today.

Miss Mame Huber, who went to Seattle, Wash., last May to join a party of young people about to make a tour of the northwest, including Alaska, arrived home Wednesday evening. The Alaska visit of the party for various reasons was not made. While in the west Miss Huber was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. David Bowen. Mr. Bowen is a cousin.

Miss Huber will resume her duties as stenographer in the office of the Potrock Coal Company next week.

Simon P. Ewing, secretary of the Ohio Federation of Labor, was yesterday appointed by State Labor Commissioner Hatchford as superintendent of the free public employment office, of Columbus, and Samuel Cohn was appointed to a similar office in Toledo. Appointments will also be made in the Cincinnati and Dayton offices during the month of September, and in the Cleveland office at the expiration of the term of the present superintendent, in January next.

Martin B. Schultz, of this city, has received a letter from his brother, Corporal A. G. Schultz, of Company G, First United States Infantry. Corporal Schultz, who was until recently stationed at Pinar Del Rio, in Cuba, is now at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. He writes that the regiment will leave in a few days for San Francisco, and from the latter place will embark for service in the east, whether in China or the Philippines, the writer did not know. Mr. Schultz, it will be remembered, spent a furlough in Massillon last year.

A meeting will be held at Columbus on Tuesday, September 10, for the purpose of organizing a state fish and game protective association, and all farmers' clubs, fish and game protection associations, gun clubs, fishing clubs and all organizations having as one of their objects the protection and preservation of birds, and fish and game, are earnestly invited to attend. Some of the most useful and beautiful song and insectivorous birds are not protected at all. Certain migratory game birds, useful only as food, which breed in Ohio, are lost to us entirely by being protected so late in the season that none remain when the hunting season opens.

HE IS IN TO STAY.

Candidate Dunlap Past the Withdrawal Point

MORRIS GIVEN A FIGHT.

The Youngstown Hardware Merchant Continues to Puzzle the Local Politicians as to His Intentions--O. E. Young Looking After Dunlap's Interests--Other Political News.

W. J. Dunlap says he will not attend the Democratic convention at Alliance on Tuesday, before which he will be nominated for congress, but will spend the day blowing glass at Reed & Company's works. City Solicitor O. E. Young, who is conducting Mr. Dunlap's campaign, may make the nominating address, or the name may be presented by one of the Canton brethren. Mr. Dunlap expects opposition, but he states that he is now in the race to stay until victorious or defeated. He will not withdraw. Mr. Dunlap says he will spend little money. He will make the fight on the strength of his unionism, having been one of the national officers of the glassblowers' association for years. Mr. Dunlap's opponent for the nomination, if he has one, will be James Morris, a Youngstown hardware merchant. Mr. Dunlap called on Mr. Morris when he was in Youngstown recently, but could obtain no definite statement from his alleged fellow-aspirant as to his intentions. It is stated here, however, that Mr. Morris has said that he will not go before the convention unless the nomination is to be had without opposition.

The boom of Mayor Wise for county clerk is spreading westward. Assurances come from Tuscarawas and Sugar creek townships that the people are with him. An effort has been made to induce the mayor to enter the contest for auditor and leave the field for clerk to the two East End candidates. Thus far, however, Mr. Wise has made no statements concerning the matter. It is by no means a sure thing that he will come out for any county office.

Republican central committee men say that the vote for McKinley in Stark county this fall will be unprecedented. Democratic committee men state that Bryan will receive a larger vote than four years ago. Neither will admit a miscalculation possible.

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When Well Known Massillon People Tell it so Plainly.

When public endorsement is made by a representative citizen of Massillon, the proof is positive. You must believe it. Read this testimony. Every backache sufferer, every man, woman or child, with any kidney trouble, will find profit in the reading.

Mrs. Louis Feil, of 36 Cliff street, says: "The heavy work in which Mr. Feil is engaged at his calling, had probably something to do with attacks of pain which caught him across the loins. Be that as it may, in looking for a means to check that, we tried Doan's Kidney Pills, getting them at Z. T. Baltzly's drug store. Under the treatment the pain in the back, lumbago or kidney complaint, call it what you please, quickly and thoroughly disappeared."

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Remember the name, Doan's, and take no other.

NEWS OF CANTON.

Teachers' Institute Adjourns Friday.

OFFICERS WERE INSTALLED

The Sessions Were Very Successful--A Bryan and Stevenson Club is Organized in Canton--City of Canton Defendant in a Mandamus Case.

CANTON, Sept. 1.—The thirty-sixth annual session of the Teachers' Institute Association of Canton adjourned at 3 o'clock on Friday afternoon with the singing of "America" by those assembled. The institute was one of the most successful, both in point of attendance and in interest exhibited, in the history of the association. The officers elected on Thursday took the oath of office on Friday afternoon, being sworn in by Principal Weyman, of Canton. President William Johns, of Massillon, accepted the office in a brief but grateful address, in which he thanked the institute for the honor conferred upon him. The committee on resolutions presented its report, which expressed the thanks of the teachers for the hospitality and favors shown them by Cantonians during the sessions. The report was accepted. The remainder of the session was taken up by Mr. Milne's address on "Sunshine" and by the closing addresses of the instructors.

Canton Democrats met in the assembly room of the city building on Friday evening, and effected the organization of a "Bryan and Stevenson Marching Club," whose object is to say a good word for the party candidates once in a while, and to look hopeful on every arrival of fresh evidences of the certainty of McKinley's re-election in November. The soliciting committee, which covered Canton fairly well, reported that it had found 442 people, the greater number of whom were of voting age, who have signified that Bryan and Stevenson are their choice, and who were willing to join the organization. The report, of course, was accepted. Officers were elected as follows: James Sterling, president; John T. Hay, first vice president; Colonel Nathan Holloway, second vice president; Calvin Seeman, recording secretary; A. V. Bordner, corresponding secretary. Committees were appointed to report on uniforms for at least a portion of the club. John C. Welty and John T. Hay delivered addresses.

Attorney A. A. Thayer filed a petition in common pleas court Friday afternoon, in which the State of Ohio on relation of William S. Hadley is the plaintiff, and the city of Canton and the city council of Canton are the defendants. The plaintiff alleges that the defendant some time ago decided upon extensive improvements in Fulton street, in the city of Canton, and that bids for the same were advertised for. He avers that besides himself a bid was submitted by the firm of Coyle & Dine, and that, while he offered to do the work for \$3,281.50, the bid of Coyle & Dine was \$3,257. Notwithstanding the fact that his bid was the lowest, he alleges that the city council has announced its intention of awarding the contract to his competitor and he therefore asks the court to issue a mandamus forbidding the letting of said contract to said firm. The city council met in special session for the purpose of awarding the contract on Friday evening. Hadley, however, had stolen a march on the city fathers, and the papers which Sheriff Zaiser served on the body, necessitated its adjournment without the contemplated action. Ida Ramsey, with Dan W. Shetler as her attorney, has begun action in common pleas court against Charles Ramsey for a divorce. Statutory offenses are alleged as the causes for action.

OBITUARY NOTICES.

URIAH D. HAVENSTACK.

Uriah D. Havenstack, a well-known farmer living near Navarre, died at 4 o'clock this morning at the Aultman hospital in Canton, after an illness of four weeks with typhoid fever. From news received by relatives in this city, yesterday, it was believed that Mr. Havenstack was improving, and the notice of his death was a great shock to his friends. The deceased was 45 years of age, and had spent his entire life in this county. He is survived by a wife and four children, one son and three daughters. Funeral services will be held at the residence at 1 o'clock Monday afternoon. Interment to take place in the Massillon cemetery.

MRS. MARGARET DULABAHN.

Mrs. Margaret Dulabahn, aged 82 years, widow of the late Christian Dulabahn, died Friday night at her home at 305 State street, of paralysis. Funeral services will be conducted at the residence at 3:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon by the Rev. J. J. Wilson.

LENA EVERD.

Lena Everd, aged 30 years, a state hospital patient, died at the institution last night. The body was shipped to Cleveland. The deceased was sent to the asylum from Columbiana county.

Headache?

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Half the World in Darkness

as to the cause of their ill health. If they would start to treat their kidneys with Foley's Kidney Cure, the weariness of body and mind, backache and rheumatic pains would disappear. Rider & Snyder.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Superintendent Jones Announces that They will Open September 10.

The public schools of the city will open on Monday morning, September 10, at 8:30 o'clock.

Attention is hereby called to the rule of the board of education, requiring all pupils entering the public schools for the first time to present to the teacher a certificate of vaccination, properly signed by a physician.

If these certificates have not already been obtained, they should be secured within the next week, so that there may be no delay on the part of new pupils in entering school.

Attention is also called to the Davis law, a part of which reads as follows:

Section 1. No child under the age of thirteen years shall be employed in any factory, workshop, mercantile or other establishment, directly or indirectly, and no boy under fifteen years of age, and no girl under sixteen years of age, shall be employed at any work performed for wages or other compensation, or in assisting any person employed as a wage earner, when the public schools in which district such child resides are in session; providing, this act shall not apply to females working at household work.

Section 3. Any person or corporation who shall employ any minor contrary to the provisions of this act, or who shall violate any of the provisions thereof, shall upon conviction be fined in any sum not less than twenty dollars nor more than fifty dollars, or imprisoned not less than ten nor more than thirty days. E. A. JONES, Superintendent.



The fond mother dreams great dreams of baby's future as she holds the sleeping little one in her arms. But the dreams will never come true unless she has given him a strong body and a healthy mind. Children die in hosts, or live to struggle through life feeble of body and dull of mind because the mother was unfit physically and mentally for motherhood. Women who use Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription endow their children with strong bodies and bright minds. It is every mother's duty to give her child the advantages of a healthy body and mind. A weak or sickly woman cannot do this. "Favorite Prescription" makes weak women strong and sick women well.

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BUCHANAN, Mich., May 22.

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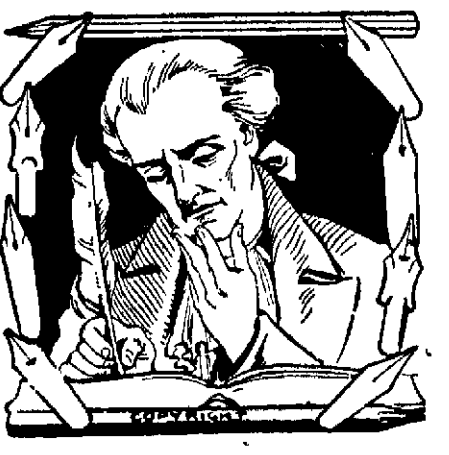
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